

By MIKE ALLEN

WYCOMBE were dismissed from the Hitachi League Cup first round at Hayes on August Bank Holiday after Terry Glynn had scored his first goal for Wycombe in the third minute.

The game got off to a good start for Blues, if you discount the two minutes treatment Paul Birdseye required after an over-enthusiastic challenge had left him holding the small of his back in the first minute.

With Birdseye back on his feet Wycombe began looking for the good start they needed against one of the teams they always seem to have trouble with. A cross by Howard Kennedy was nodded on by Tony Price for Glynn to head in from about six yards into the left corner

of the goal to give Wycombe a 1-0 advantage.

But Blues' jubilation only lasted another 13 minutes. A free kick on the Hayes left was rolled to Gary Huxley. He cut inside and, pursued by Birdseye, went into the area and shot towards the near post. Gary Lester looked to have the ball in his sights but it rolled past him into the net leaving Lester holding his head in his hands.

The two sides were left to battle the match out in midfield for much of the rest of the half. But Wycombe forced four corners to Hayes' one and had the only other real chance when Bobby Dell set up a fine shot which was deflected away for a corner.

The score remained level until well into the second half when a combination of Bobby Davis and George Borg brought down Laurie Craker in the area. The referee, who had earlier dismissed two Wycombe appeals for much the same

sort of incident, pointed to the spot.

The kick was converted by Keith Eliss despite the efforts of Lester who touched the ball, but not enough.

In the fifth minute of the half Glynn had looked to have been brought down but the referee, Mr Maber, appeared unimpressed. Twenty minutes later Borg, who as the game progressed made several good runs down the left wing, also seemed to be felled, by Micky Howell, but once again Mr Maber waved play on.

Chances

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Wycombe had their chances to add to their one goal. Glynn had a powerful shot in the 65th minute, only to see it rebound off a defender, and in the closing minutes as they threw

everyone forward there were chances there for the taking. But everything that was crossed in was taken comfortably by Paul Priddy in goal.

Blues also found themselves under pressure from Hayes. Twice Wycombe appeared to be caught napping in defence. On the first occasion Dell has to make a desperate clearance after Birdseye was beaten by Huxley and Lester lost the ball as he dived at Huxley's feet.

The second time a chipped cross from inside the area was lucky to find Keith Mead well placed to head away to safety. In the closing stages Derek Doyle became increasingly difficult to contain, but his two quick breaks came to nothing.

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Hayes: P. Priddy, G. Chapman, M. Howell, M. Harrison, G. Smith, S. Wilkins, K. Eliss, L. Craker, J. Auguste, D. Doyle, G. Huxley (sub: M. Scott 40 mins).

Wycombe: G. Lester, P. Birdseye, G. Borg, B. Davis, K. Mead, H. Kennedy (sub: S. Hardwick 32 mins), B. Dell, T. Price, G. Toll, T. Glynn, M. Hollifield.

Referee: Mr T. Maber.
Half-time — 1-1. Hayes — Huxley 16 mins, Eliss 77 mins. Wycombe — Glynn 3 mins.

Reserves go to work on Egham